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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SECSTATE FROM ATHENS APR 21

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L ATHENS 2402

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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OREP, GR (HAYS, WAYNE)

SUBJ: VISIT OF CONGRESSMAN WAYNE HAYS TO GREECE

REF: STATE 074014

1. USING TOTALLY RELIABLE AND HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL CHANNEL WE SENT MESSAGE CONTAINED REFTTEL TO PM. REACTION WAS THAT IF HAYS COMING ONLY TO SEE PM REGARDING ITEMS IN MESSAGE, PM DOES NOT SEE WHY HE SHOULD SEE HIM. HAYS MEETING ARRANGED BY GREEK EMBASSY WASHINGTON WITH CAVALIERATOS WOULD SEEM TO BE SUFFICIENT. IN OTHER WORDS, IF NOTHING ADDITIONAL TO WHAT IS IN MESSAGE PM SEES LITTLE LIKELIHOOD FOR ARRANGING APPOINTMENT.

2. IN EMBASSY' S JUDGMENT SETTING UP CAVAILERATOS APPOINTMENT GIVES PM WAY OF AVOIDING COMPLETELY NEGATIVE POSITION SO THAT IF HE DOES NOT SEE HAYS GOG HAS DONE SOMETHING FOR HIM IN TERMS
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OF FORM. OUR APPRAISAL REMAINS SAME AS IN PREVIOUS EMBASSY MESSAGES. WE STILL THINK IT IS WORTHWHILE FOR HAYS TO COME AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT FOR PM TO SEE HIM. IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT APPROACH IN REFTEL MADE TOO MUCH IMPRESSION AND PM STILL RELUCTANT TO COMMIT HIMSELF.

3. WE WOULD STRONGLY URGE NONE OF ABOVE BE PASSED ON THROUGH GREEK EMBASSY WITHOUT CHECKING WITH US. PM, ALTHOUGH CLOSE TO SOROKOS, DOES NOT TRUST EMBASSY OR FOREIGN MINISTRY AND USE OF OUR DIRECT CHANNELS SHOULD BE SAFEGUARDED.

4. EMBASSY WOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT IF FACT OF HAYS VISIT PLAYED UP BY PRESS CHANCES OF ARRANGING MEETING WILL BE VERY POOR INDEED.

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